(d) At present no legislative changes in the direct tax laws are being contemplated with a view to involve the industry in the cause of rural development in the country.

All India Radio and Doordarshan correspondents

1871. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTNG be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of All India Radio and Doordarshan correspondents posted in the third world countries;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of correspondents in the third world countries is quite inadequate and as a result the media of the Government depend largely on the foreign news agencies; and

(c) if so, what remedial measure Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) At present, All India Radio has seven regular correspondents abroad. Doordarshan does not have any foreign correspondents.

(b) Impdovements in direct coverage of events abroad are reviewed regularly taking into account the resources available

(c) The VII Five Year Plan proposals of All India Radio include a scheme for creation of more posts of correspondents abroad.

Sunday Feature Film on Doordarshan

1872. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of 'A' Grade films telecast on Sundays through Doordarshan during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the price rather than quality of the film, is the determining factor for selection of Sundays' films; and

(c) what is the total amount of profit accrued to Doordarshan through commercials during 1984—86.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFQRMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The total number of 'A' Grade films telecast on Sundays by Doordarshan during the last three years (March, 1984 to February, 1987) is 22.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Gross revenue accrued to Doordarshan from commercials was Rs. 31.44 crores in 1984-85 and Rs. 60.20 crores in 1985-86.

Replacement of the Rolls Royce RB-199 of the LCA with GEF 404

1873. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to replace the Rolls Royce RB-199 engine for the design stage of the prestigious Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) with GEF 404, which is over 20 years old and a Franch Company is entering the project at a late stage, particularly when RB 199 engine and West Germany, MBB was considered the best among the available options and a decision to go in for it was taken in 1985; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) and (b)